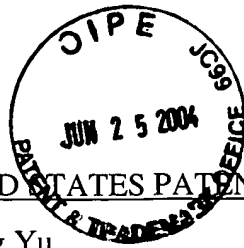


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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Madam/Sir:

This paper is being submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed May 20, 2004. Without acquiescing to the statements made therein, Applicants hereby elect without traverse Claim Set II (Claims 22-40), for prosecution in the instant application. Examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

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